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| L2 | 31 | 1 and @ad<"20010919" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 08:46 |
| L3 | 12 | (conducting adj polymer) same (lithographical\$2) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 08:47 |
| L4 | 7 | 3 and @ad<"20010919" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 08:17 |
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| L7 | 482 | (three adj dimensional) and (conducting adj polymer) and @ad<"20010919" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 08:46 |
| L8 | 46 | 7 and (lithographical\$2) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:09 |
| L9 | 287 | (resist or photoresist) and (sidewall with (ripple or ribbed or rough)) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:44 |
| L10 | 270 | 9 and @ad<"20040106" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:43 |
| L11 | 223 | 10 and (opening or recess or hole or trench or via) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:44 |
| L12 | 20 | (resist or photoresist) and (sidewall with (ripple or ribbed or rough)) | USOCR; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:30 |
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| L14 | 2339 | 13 and @ad<"20040106" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:46 |
| L15 | 1600 | 14 and (resist or photoresist) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:44 |
| L16 | 1566 | 15 and (opening or recess or hole or trench or via) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:45 |
| L17 | 135 | (substrate and (photoresist or resist) and sidewalls and liner).clm. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:47 |
| L18 | 118 | 17 and @ad<"20040106" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:46 |

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| L19 | 0 | (substrate and (photoresist or resist) and sidewalls and liner and (ribbed or ripple)).clm. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2005/07/13 09:47 |
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US-PAT-NO: 6537896

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6537896 B1

TITLE: Process for treating porous low k dielectric material in damascene structure to form a non-porous dielectric diffusion barrier on etched via and trench surfaces in the porous low k dielectric material

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Brief Summary Text - BSTX (19):

In the above referenced Kim U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/932,527 the problem of rough edges from the rupturing of pores in porous low k dielectric material during the etching of openings for vias and/or trenches was solved by isotropic etching of the rough sidewalls of the openings to remove at least the peaks of the opened pores.

Brief Summary Text - BSTX (20):

The above referenced Kim and Chun U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/032,666 solved the same problem of rough edges from the rupturing of pores in porous low k dielectric material by depositing a further layer of dielectric material over the rough edges of the opened pores of the etched sidewalls of the openings in the porous low k dielectric material.

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TITLE: In-situ sequential silicon containing hard mask
layer/silicon layer plasma etch method

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Brief Summary Text - BSTX (8):

In addition, it is also recognized in the art of integrated circuit microelectronics fabrication that sidewall profiles of trenches formed within semiconductor substrates through conventional methods which employ a first plasma etch method in forming a composite patterned silicon nitride layer/patterned silicon oxide layer etch mask layer upon a semiconductor substrate and an independent second plasma etch method in forming a trench within the semiconductor substrate while employing the composite patterned silicon nitride layer/patterned silicon oxide layer as an etch mask layer are often rough.

Brief Summary Text - BSTX (9):

Inefficient use of integrated circuit microelectronics fabrication tooling and materials is undesirable within advanced integrated circuit microelectronics fabrication since integrated circuit microelectronics fabrication costs are thus increased. Similarly, rough sidewall profiles of shallow trenches formed within semiconductor substrates within integrated circuit microelectronics fabrications are also undesirable since such rough sidewall profiles may impede formation of isolation regions with optimal isolation characteristics within those shallow trenches and thus influence operating parameters of integrated circuit devices formed within adjoining active regions of a semiconductor substrate separated by the shallow trenches.